ICDPPC Executive Committee Minutes

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14/15 March 2016

Chair: John Edwards, New Zealand

Secretariat: Blair Stewart, Vanya Vida, New Zealand

France: Isabelle Falque-Pierrotin, Nicolas De Bouville

Canada: Daniel Therrien, Andrea Rousseau, Barbara Bucknell, Brent Homan, Daniele

Chatelois, Michael Maguire, Miguel Bernal-Castillero

Netherlands: Wilbert Tomesen, Udo Oelen

Morocco: Said Ihrai, Lahoussine Aniss

Meeting opened: 7:05am (NZDT)

1. Previous meeting

- a. Minutes of December 2015 meeting: approved.
- b. Action points completed (except task 3 and 5 which are shortly to be completed).

2. Standing items

a. **38**th Conference: MO updated the Committee.

Action: MO to include updates on security arrangements in next update.

b. **Accreditation**: The Secretariat advised that online accreditation application processes to implement rule changes adopted at the 37th Conference went live on 9 March.

3. Committee's work for 2015-2016

An updated and simplified work plan was circulated. It is a living document that will be updated as the Committee initiates, clarifies or completes projects.

4. 38th Conference

a. Closed session topics

The Committee discussed the shortlisted topics in detail. By consensus 'Nanotechnology, robotics and artificial intelligence' were selected as the topic for discussion at the closed session. It was agreed that a subcommittee progress work. The Chair asked the subcommittee in its task of recommending speakers to seek to achieve geographic, ethnic and gender diversity.

Action: Sub-committee of FR, CA and NL to develop, in advance of May meeting, a draft session outline and to identify and check availability of suitable presenters for an in-depth closed session discussion on 'Nanotechnology, robotics and artificial intelligence'.

The value of encryption as a discussion topic was identified by CA and the Chair noted that recent developments had highlighted the topic's continuing importance to DPAs. CA indicted that a closed session discussion of the topic would offer greater value than discussion at the public conference.

b. Public session

Difficulties with the audio connection meant that MO's oral update was inaudible to some members. MO was invited to provide a short written update on preparations for the public conference to the Committee.

Action: MO to send brief written update on preparations for the public conference to the Secretariat for circulation to the Committee.

5. Annual enforcement Cooperation meeting

CA updated the Committee. CA and the Secretariat will develop a proposal for a new process for the Committee's consideration for selection of future hosts of enforcement cooperation meetings.

Action: CA and the Secretariat to bring a proposal to the May meeting for selection of future hosts of enforcement cooperation meetings.

6. Conference in 2017

The Committee endorsed the sub-committee's recommendation that Hong Kong's proposal to host the 39th Conference in 2017. The recommendation will be notified to Conference members and unless an objection is raised will become a Conference decision. If objection is taken, an electronic vote will be arranged.

Action point: Secretariat to advise the two authorities that submitted proposals of the Committee's decision and then notify all members of Committee's recommendation that Hong Kong be the host of the 39th Conference.

7. Communications

The Secretariat updated the Committee about the new Twitter account.

8. Working groups

A written update from the Privacy and Humanitarian Action Working Group was received too late for distribution before the meeting. As Committee members had not seen the update it was not possible to discuss the plans of the WG coordinator.

Action point: Secretariat to circulate written update from the Privacy and Humanitarian Action Working Group to the Committee

9. General business

Significant audio difficulties were experienced during the teleconference. Accordingly, the Chair requested that the staff in each office cooperate with the Secretariat to test telephone connections prior to the next teleconference.

Action point: Secretariat to hold a test teleconference with other offices a few days before the May meeting to test the telephone connections.

10. Next meeting

4/5 May 2016

Meeting closed: 8:05am (NZDT)